

**NYSAMPO Association**  
**Safety Working Group Teleconference**  
**Wednesday, July 6, 2016**

**1. Introductions**

- A/GFTC – Kate Mance
- BMTS – Cyndi Paddick
- CDTC – Sandy Misiewicz
- ECTC – Mike Perry
- GBNRTC – Hector Boggio
- GTC – Robert Torzynski
- NYMTC – Maria Garcia
- OCTC – Ashlee Long
- PDCTC – Emily Dozier
- UCTC – David Staas
- NYSDOT – Regina Doyle, Tom Benware
- CLRP – David Orr

**2. Meeting Notes – May 11, 2016 (attached)**  
Approved

**3. Presentation: NYS Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (materials available for meeting), Tom Benware, NYSDOT**

- Benware presented an overview of the PSAP, which was released June 20. He provided discussion of some elements:
  - There is an urban focus because that is where most pedestrian crashes occur
  - NYSDOT has selected 20 Focus Communities outside of New York City based on crash numbers; this is where local program resources will be centered
  - In terms of engineering strategies: (1) for hot spots, NYSDOT Regions will complete investigations of 20% of pedestrian PILs each year; (2) the corridor approach will be applied to 5 corridors over 5 years (Central Ave in Albany and Hempstead Tpk on Long Island are existing examples); (3) systemic improvements will focus on the State highways for the first year; (4) NYSDOT will solicit local projects in the second year (2017)
  - Reviewed treatments for uncontrolled crosswalks (of which there are about 2,200 in the State); some will require more enhanced treatments, based on analysis, including RRFBs, curb extensions, center island refuge
  - Similarly, there are a set of potential treatments for signalized intersections, based on analysis
  - Public education was reviewed in greater depth. Much of this is a collaborative effort involving a number of partners. There will be a statewide focus the first year; NYSDOH “See and Be Seen” PSA is already being aired. The second year will move to the Focus Communities. NYSDOT will develop an outreach toolkit
  - In terms of next steps: (1) Engineering – Regions will develop focused design service consultant agreements to do analytic work; (2) NYSDOH will be working on a new PSA

Gayle: the MPO Directors are interested in having a list of links to educational materials that they can use and potentially customize. What will be in the Toolkit?

Benware/Doyle: Some of the material is already on the website. There are posters, palm cards, warning cards for use by law enforcement. NYSDOH will be developing a “presentation in a box” for use in schools and other group settings. Has been told NYSDOH PSA can be customized, will follow up with written assurance.

Boggio: Can this be connected to the next TAP solicitation?

Benware/Doyle: Not directly, but if a project has safety benefits and is not funded through TAP, it could be considered for local PSAP solicitation.

Misiewicz: Explain more of the role of the Regions.

Benware: In addition to the items previously discussed, they will be responsible for implementing on-system projects.

Dozier: what will the outreach to Focus Communities involve?

Benware: NYSDOH is the education lead. They plan to partner with local health departments, traffic safety boards, others.

Doyle: NYSDOH understands that there is a big audience statewide. They intend to provide support to grassroots efforts to assist them in becoming self-sufficient in outreach activities.

Dozier: Will the PSAP local focus communities solicitation be separate from HSIP?

Doyle: The money is mostly a set aside from HSIP, but separate from the Statewide HSIP set aside.

- <https://www.ny.gov/programs/pedestrian-safety-action-plan> for plan document and other online materials for the three E's

ACTION: Gayle will distribute slide show with the meeting notes

#### 4. Working Group Items

- HSIP Statewide Project Announcement (attached)  
Misiewicz noted that the project list was announced in the June 20 press release from the Governor's office.
- Data Driven Safety Analysis in Planning and Programming  
– <http://www.safetyanalysis.today/sterlingvirginiaexchange.html>  
Misiewicz reported she had attended this workshop. There was good information on using the Highway Safety Manual and other tools for doing analysis from network screening through [project development
- Northeast Road Diet Peer Exchange  
Misiewicz attended this in early June. She will send proceedings/slides when they become available. Noted that NJDOT presented a video that is an excellent educational tool to explain road diets.
- Traffic Records Coordinating Council  
– NY Traffic Records Assessment  
Misiewicz reported that they are working on the Traffic Records Assessment for NHTSA. Ahe had responded to the survey on behalf of the MPOs; there were six questions out of a much larger survey that were applicable.

#### 5. Partnerships/Coordination

- NYSDOT
  - Intersection and Lane Departure Safety Action Plans – there was no report
  - Other NYSDOT itemsDozier asked about the ALIS data use policy. Misiewicz a draft would be available for review no later than September
- ITSMR  
Varone was not present; no report
- GTSC  
DeWeese was not present, had provided a report to Misiewicz:  
NYPD is now sending pdfs of crash reports nightly; DMV is running system checks of the Accident Information System with respect to handling large volumes of reports. This is envisioned as a two year process to get NYC fully integrated.

The GTSC Highway Strategic Safety Plan for federal fiscal year 2017 has been submitted to NHTSA, will be on the GTSC website soon.

- Cornell Local Roads Program

Orr reported that they will offer a course on Combatting Roadway Departures in Millbrook (Dutchess County) Aug 16 and Bath (Steuben County) Aug 18. Also a course on ADA in the Public Right-of-Way in Utica and Rockland in September. [see <http://www.clrp.cornell.edu/workshops/engineer.html> ]

- NHTSA

Purdy was not present, no report

- FHWA

McDevitt was not present, no report.

Gayle asked if there was any progress on the Speed Management pilot course.

Misiewicz responded that she had not received a response from McDevitt, will follow up.

## 6. Training/Conferences

- September 13-14, 2016 *Walk-Bike NY* at the Crowne Plaza in Syracuse, NY.

Visit <https://www.itsmr.org/events/> for more information

- October 16-19 *Annual NY Highway Safety Symposium* at the Crowne Plaza in Lake Placid, NY. Visit

<https://www.itsmr.org/events/> for more information

## 7. Other Topics

Dozier asked about the ADA training that was referenced in the May meeting notes.

Misiewicz responded that it was offered by CLRP, not ITSMR as stated in the notes.

## 8. Next Meeting Date: August 3, 2016 at 1 p.m.